

# STATE ADOPTION AND FEMA APPROVAL

# 1.1 DMA 2000 Requirements and Official Record of Adoption and Approval

Requirement: §201.4(c)(6) and §201.4(c)(7): The Plan must be formally adopted by the State prior to submittal to [FEMA] for final review and approval [and] include assurances that the State will comply with all applicable Federal statutes and regulation in effect with respect to the periods for which it received grant funding, in compliance with 44 CFR 13.11(c). The State will amend its Plan whenever necessary to reflect changes in the State or Federal laws and statutes as required in 44 CFR 13.11(d).

The State of Arizona Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan meets the requirements Section 409 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act of 1988. Additionally, this plan meets the minimum planning requirements under 44 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 78 (Flood Mitigation Assistance). It is intended that this plan also meet the requirements of the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 (DMA2K), Section 322. Section 322 of the Act requires that states, as a condition of receiving federal disaster mitigation funds, have a mitigation plan in place that describes the planning process for identifying hazards, risk and vulnerabilities, identifies and prioritizes mitigation actions, encourages the development of local mitigation and provides technical support for these efforts.

The Arizona Division of Emergency Management is authorized by ARS §26-305 to prepare for and coordinate those emergency management activities that may be required to reduce the impact of disaster on persons or property; and through the powers vested in the Governor, the division shall coordinate the cooperative effort of all governmental agencies including the federal government, this state and its political subdivisions to alleviate suffering and loss resulting from disaster.

This plan was adopted on December 13, 2007 under the authority of the Director of the Arizona Division of Emergency Management, Louis B. Trammell.



## 1.2 Letter of Adoption



### STATE OF ARIZONA

## Department of Emergency and Military Affairs

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JANET NAPOLITANO
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THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

December 13, 2007

### STATEMENT OF PLAN ADOPTION

All states are required to have a Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) approved Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan which must be updated every three years in order to be eligible for federal disaster assistance funds and mitigation grants, as stipulated in the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000. The State of Arizona's Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan, initially approved by FEMA on November 9, 2004, was re-approved on December 13, 2007.

The Plan describes Arizona's commitment to reduce or eliminate the risk to people and property from disasters caused by natural caused hazards. While the Arizona Division of Emergency Management develops and maintains the Plan, it represents the summation of inputs and recommendations from Arizona's total emergency management community which includes federal, state and local stakeholders.

In adopting this Plan, the State of Arizona agrees to comply with all applicable state and federal statutes and regulations, as stipulated in previously documented assurances, and will update the plan at least every three years. The Plan has been revised to reflect changes in hazard risks, as well as new or revised state and federal statutes and regulations.

The Director of the Arizona Division of Emergency Management is required by the Arizona Revised Statutes §26-305 to prepare for and coordinate those emergency management activities that may be required to reduce the impact of disaster on persons or property. The Division shall coordinate the cooperative effort of all governmental agencies including the federal government, this state and its political subdivisions to alleviate suffering and loss resulting from disaster.

I, the undersigned do hereby formally adopt this Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan for the State of Arizona.

Sincerely,

LOUIS B. TRAMMELL

Director

Arizona Division of Emergency Management



#### **FEMA Approval Letter** 1.3

U.S. Department of Homeland Security 1111 Broadway, Suite 1200 Oakland, CA. 94607-4052



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Louis B. Trammell Director, Arizona Division of Emergency Management 5636 East McDowell Road Phoenix, AZ 85008-3495

Dear Mr. Trammell:

We have received your Statement of Plan Adoption of December 13, 2007, formally adopting the Standard State Mitigation Plan for the State of Arizona. The Plan is now in compliance with the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 requirements and has been approved.

The mitigation strategy outlined in this plan will be a valuable resource and guide for the State of Arizona in its ongoing efforts to make the State stronger, and more able to withstand the identified vulnerabilities. A copy of the approved plan will be placed in the National Emergency Management Information System (NEMIS) Plans Repository for future reference.

U.S. Department of Homeland Security's, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) approval of your mitigation plan ensures the continued availability within the State of Arizona of funding opportunities including: Pre-Disaster Mitigation, Hazard Mitigation Grant Program, and Flood Mitigation Assistance project and planning grants; Severe Repetitive Loss Program; Fire Management Assistance; and Public Assistance categories C-G. All requests for funding will be evaluated individually according to the specific eligibility and other requirements of the particular program under which the application is submitted. For example, a specific mitigation activity or project identified in the plan may not meet the eligibility requirements for FEMA funding, and even eligible mitigation activities are not automatically approved under any of the aforementioned programs.

The plan is valid for three years from the approval date. The plan must be reviewed, updated and submitted to FEMA Region IX for approval at least once every three years. Regional approval will be based, in part, on the successful incorporation of our recommendations into subsequent iterations.

If you have any questions, please contact Sally Ziolkowski, Mitigation Division Director, (510) 627-7103, or by email at sally.ziolkowski@dhs.gov. An alternate contact is Robert McCord, Mitigation Planning Coordinator, (510) 627-7059, or by email at robert.mccord@dhs.gov.

Sincerely,

Nancy Ward Regional Administrator

cc: Darlene Trammell, State Hazard Mitigation Officer